



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Colleen S. Liddell
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Re: September 2018 Site-Related Groundwater Remedial Investigation Report Addendum
Ringwood Mines/Landfill Site, Ringwood, New Jersey

Dear Ms. Liddell:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection have completed review of the September 2018 Site-Related Groundwater Remedial Investigation Report Addendum (RI Addendum) for the Ringwood Mines/Landfill Site (Site). By this letter, EPA approves the RI Addendum, with the following observations:

- Data presented in the RI Addendum clearly indicates that 1,4-dioxane has been detected outside of the property which comprises the Site in both surface water and groundwater. However, 1,4-dioxane is not detected in surface water samples collected downgradient of Sally's Pond and is only detected in groundwater samples collected outside of the property which comprises the Site at concentrations below New Jersey's Ground Water Quality Standard of 0.4 ug/L.
- While it is noted on page 37 of the RI Addendum that, "BIOCHLOR modeling conducted as part of the supplemental RI indicates that 1,4-dioxane concentrations will decline below its GWQS of 0.4 ug/L downgradient of the PMP Area within Site boundaries....", this conclusion based upon the BIOCHLOR model is subject to the uncertainties and limitations discussed in section 4.2.1 of the RI Addendum.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please call.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "J. A. Gowers", is positioned above the typed name of the signatory.

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